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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

OPERATING ENGINEERS HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST FUND FOR NORTHERN CALIFORNIA, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

AECOM, A DELAWARE CORPORATION,

Defendant.

Case No. 18-cv-07345-JSC

ORDER DENYING MOTION TO CONTINUE PRETRIAL DATES

Re: Dkt. Nos. 69-70

Upon the parties' stipulation, and to allow them to complete settlement negotiations, the Court continued the pretrial deadlines in this case many times. Most recently, on January 15, 2021, the Court extended the fact discovery cut-off to April 26, 2021. (Dkt. No. 66.) On that same date, Defendant moved to continue all pretrial deadlines for 60 days. (Dkt. No. 69.) It insists that the parties had agreed to stay discovery pending their settlement negotiations and that it needs time to take depositions.

Defendant has not shown good cause for modifying the Court's scheduling order. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b). In particular, for the reasons set forth in Plaintiffs' opposition to the motion to continue, (Dkt. Nos. 73, 74), Defendant has not been diligent. See Johnson v. Mammoth Recreations, Inc., 975 F.2d 604, 608 (9th Cir. 1992). The record does not support any such agreement-to-stay and the Court did not agree to a stay of discovery. Accordingly, the motion to continue is DENIED.

Any discovery disputes regarding outstanding written discovery requests must be brought to the Court's attention by way of a joint discovery dispute letter on or before May 28, 2021.

This Order disposes of Docket Nos. 69, 70.

United States District Court Northern District of California

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: May 7, 2021

JACQUELINE SCOTT CORLES United States Magistrate Judge